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FOLL SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO ABIDJAN DAKAR FORT LAMY FROM BAMAKO
14 JUN 73 REPEATED TO YOU QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L BAMAKO 1847

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E. O. 11652: GDS

SUBJ: MALI GOVERNMENT REQUESTS C-141 GRAIN AIRLIFT ASSISTANCE

REF: BAMAKO 1836 (NOTAL)

1. DURING COURTESY CALL BY CHARGE AND OUTGOING JTF COMMANDER
LT COL SOL HARP ON DEFENSE MINISTER AND DROUGHT ASSISTANCE
COORDINATOR DOUKARA TO INTRODUCE NEW AUTHENTIC ASSISTANCE JTF
COMMANDER COL CHARLES PARSONS, MINISTER REQUESTED US ASSISTANCE
FOR TWO C-141' S FOR 15 DAY PERIOD TO FLY GRAIN FROM DAKAR TO
BAMAKO. DOUKARA SAID THAT CANADIANS MAY SEND TWO AIRCRAFT THAT
COULD BE UTILIZED EITHER ON ABIDJAN- GAO RUN OR FAILING US
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RESPONSE, ON DAKAR- BAMAKO RUN. CHARGE PROMISED TO PASS ON REQUEST BUT MADE NO COMMITMENT REGARDING LIKELIHOOD OF SUCH ASSISTANCE.

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY AND AUTHENTIC ASSISTANCE JTF COMMAND BELIEVE US SHOULD TURN DOWN REQUEST FOR C-141' S FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

(A) INTERNAL AIRLIFT BY 3 C-130' S (ASSUMING POSITIVE RESPONSE TO BAMAKO 1836) OPERATING 5 FLIGHTS DAILY COULD NOT TRANSPORT MUCH MORE THAN 500 MT WEEKLY, AN AMOUNT WHICH MALI CAN EASILY HAUL BY RAIL FROM DAKAR UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS. (PRESENT GRAIN SHIPMENTS BY RAIL RUNNING ABOUT 1300 MT WEEKLY.)

(B) TWO C-141' S OPERATING 2 FLIGHTS PER AIRCRAFT DAILY COULD NOT TRANSPORT MUCH MORE THAN APPROXIMATELY 1650 SHORT TONS TO MALI DURING TWO WEEK PERIOD AND AT WHAT WOULD APPEAR TO BE AN EXORBITANT COST. (RUNWAY LOAD BEARING CAPACITY AT BAMAKO LIMITS AIRCRAFT TO 230,000 POUNDS.)

3. EMBASSY AND AUTHENTIC ASSISTANCE COMMAND BELIEVE THAT MORE EFFECTIVE USE OF DROUGHT ASSISTANCE FUNDS WOULD BE GAINED BY AUTHORIZING THREE C-130' S THROUGH JULY 15 PER BAMAKO 1836. KUNIHOLM

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